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STATEMENTS ON CARTER ELECTION

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1. ON NOVEMBER 4, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPOKESMAN HONG-IL, IN ANSWER TO QUESTION FROM KOREAN PRESS, EXTENDED CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT-ELECT JIMMY CARTER, STATING HE HOPED THAT THE TRADITIONAL FRINDSHIP BETWEEN KOREA AND U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED UNDER NEW U.S. LEADERSHIP. HE FURTHER SAID THAT U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE GREAT CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD PEACE AND PROGRESS FOR ALL PEOPLE DURING CARTER ADMINISTRATION.

2. RULING DRP SPOKESMAN PAK CHUL SAID IN STATEMENT SAME DAY THAT HE HOPED THAT "FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN KOREA AND U.S., FORGED IN BLOOD, WOULD BE FURTHER FIRMED UP" AND THAT NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT WOULD ACCURATELY GRASP WHAT IS REAL HOPE OF KOREAN PEOPLE NOW STRUGGLING TO DEFEND FREEDOM AND PEACE FROM COMMUNIST AGGRESSION.

3. YUCHONGHOE SPOKESMAN YI CHONG-SIK SAID IN HIS NOVEMBER 4 STATEMENT THAT HE BELIEVED THAT JIMMY CARTER, AS NEWLY ELECTED U.S. PRESIDENT, WOULD SQUARELY COPE WITH COMMUNIST AGGRESSORS WITH FULL DETERMINATION, FULLY RECOGNIZING THAT SOUTH KOREANS ARE MAKING STRENUOUS EFFORT IN THEIR CONFRON-TATION WITH COMMUNISTS IN NORTH.

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4. OPPOSITION NDP SPOKESMAN KO CHAE-CHUNG SAID IN

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STATEMENT ON DAY FOLLOWING NEWS OF ELECTION THAT SOUTH
KOREAN PEOPLE EXPECTED MUCH FROM FRESH IMAGE AND KNOWN
CHARACTER OF JIMMY CARTER (AS ONE) HOLDING MORALITY
DEARLY, HOPING THAT TRADITIONALLY EXISTING FRIENDLY
RELATIONS BETWEEN KOREA AND U.S. WOULD BE FURTHER DEVELOPED.
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